

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # 089-2013

## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Kathie Brooks, Acting City Manager

DATE:

March 19, 2013

SUBJECT: Cleanup of Monument Island in Conjunction with Baynanza

The purpose of this LTC is to inform you that the City of Miami Beach, Community Resource and Outreach Team, in conjunction with Miami Dade County, Department of Environmental Resources (DERM) and the Environmental Coalition of Miami Beach (ECOMB) is organizing an environmental event for Monument Island. This event is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Baynanza is an annual County wide effort with events scheduled simultaneously throughout Miami Dade County for April 20, 2013. These events promote environmental awareness and the importance of protecting our most treasured natural resources, water and land. This is part of the City's commitment to preserve and maintain our parks and open spaces and provide volunteer opportunities for the community.

Volunteers will meet in Maurice Gibb Park at 8:30 a.m. ECOMB is coordinating the transportation to Monument Island with volunteer boat owners. The volunteers will focus primarily on the removal and proper disposal of litter. It is anticipated that over 50 volunteers from Miami Dade County will participate in this event. The Outreach Team is coordinating with Parks and Recreation Greenspace Division, Public Works Sanitation Division, Police, and Parking Departments to provide the necessary materials and services for this project. Volunteers may register for this event at ecomb@ecomb.org.

Should you have any additional questions, please contact Lynn W. Bernstein, Community Outreach Coordinator, City Manager's Office, 305-673-7010.

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